

# The First National Bank of Durant

Capital, \$100,000.00

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"Hello thar, Sister Rainwater. No, don't bother to git me no cheer, my feet is too muddy to come in any how and I jist drapped by to see what Brother Rainwater is a doin, and to see if you'uns has heered anything frum Saffrony. Marthy, she's awful cut up about Saffrony a runnin off and gittin married agin when she swore up and down arle. Jeremier run off and lef her alse never lowd to look on the face of men agin and she lowd as how a mortal man could ever persuade her to enter into matrimony, not even Ed Green nor Jeff McShore," said Jim Rainwater, as he stood in Mrs. Rainwater's doorway.

"Law, Jim, ye might as well come in and set down. Hit is jist as chancy as fer yer feet, Jeremier never cleans his. If he comes in a dozen times a day, he'll plum soon to mud. No, we ain't heerd nuthin frum Saffrony and I ain't in she's enjoyin of her weddin tower. Her gittin married wud no surprise to me, fer when ever I hears a widder or a widower, grass, court house, so's any other kind a swarin they never will git married agin. I gives them the shortest time possible to get hitched up agin fer I knows that agin nuthin to sich talk. Gittin married is the interestest thing any single person kin do and all them what is single, don't keer how many times they have been married afore—if they sees anybody they wants to line hands with in the holy bonds of matrimony—as the preachers say—they has a right to do sich and hit aint nobody's business. Now, if Saffrony and her man don't git along, I'm in favor of 'em quittin and both of 'em twin agin."

"Ye believe in divorce then, Sister Rainwater?"

"I shore do, Jim, when sich is need. I don't see no use in two folks tryin to live together when they don't like one another. Hit aint Nater and I'm in favor of Nater a takin her course. Now you jist tell Marthy and Sister Jinkins and all the rest what is werryin their selves about Saffrony a gittin married agin, that they better quit werryin about her and turn their tention to somebody that needs their sympathy, fer she don't need none jist at present."

"Now ye're talking, Sister Rainwater, and I jist tell Marthy as how I wuz plum willing fer Saffrony or anybody else to git married as many times as they sees fit to, but what did I say Brother Rainwater is?"

"Law, Jim, do be keerful in yer aim in when ye're spittin, fer ye come purty nigh spittin in that little of hominy. Jeems, he jist dotes on Iye hominy, and if ye wuz to spile this by spittin in hit, Jeems would have a fit. Ye say what is Jeems? Didn't ye meet him goin down to Coon Skin Crossin to the meetin of the Farmers Union?"

"Naw, I never seed him. What's he a goin to that meetin fer? I lowd he had quit 'em."

"No, he is a tryin to git up a union of his own now, and he wants these farmers aroun here to recede from the state union and organize a local union and make him president, so's he kin ride on free passes, same as Jeff Mt. Gomery."

"Well, I'll jist be dum swizzled. Hit jist looks like Jeems and Bill Shaw aint satisfied fer the farmers to git recede peaceable. If them two can't boss they wants to bust the thing all to pieces. Now Peters, he has done been set down on and next Mr. Rainwater knows, he will be in the same fix. Don't he know them railroads has quit givin passes?"

"No, Jeems, he sez that's what they have give out, to fool the people, but he lows as how the same ole gang what allus rid on free passes is ridin yit, and he lows if he don't git a pass yit over these roads, he will tell the names of them he has seed totin passes. He sez he don't see no reason why Jeff Mt. Gomery should ride on passes and he cant, fer he thinks he is jist as much benefit to the railroad as Jeff."

"'Ebbby the railroads wants J. F.'s influence," suggested Jim.

"Well, Jeems, he sez hit passes to be the nater of railroads to give them folks passes what works agin 'em, so Jeems, he lows to work agin the railroads and pizen the people agin 'em, too, all he kin, so's he will git passes. Has he found out yit which candidate fer governor, the railroads is a supportin?" asked Jim.

"Yes, I hearn him say which on the railroads is fer, but I am afeared to tell ye, because Jeems, he allus gits mad ever time I tells what he sez and especially when I gives away his political convictions, but he sez he has done found out which feller the railroads is a supportin and he lows to send circulars all over the country and let the folks know the game of the railroads, but law, Jeems, he sez the railroads aint a comin out bold and supportin their man; they're a layin low about it and tryin to git folks minds switched off the real issue in the campaign and they're a blowing turble about prohibition a bein the main issue and all sich, but law, Jeems, he tole me not to say narry word about this, but I know good and well you aint a goin to say nuthin, ar ye Jim?"

"I dunno nuthin to say, because he haime to a me yit a tell me a bein run by a man aint a bein run by a man."

## PORTER IS APPOINTED

Will Succeed Ben Colbert as U. S. Marshal.

Washington, Jan. 29.—The following appointments were today announced at the White House: Grosvenor Porter, to succeed Ben Colbert, marshal for Southern district, and E. E. Norvell to be postmaster at Wynnewood.

Wanted—Bright, honest young man from Durant to prepare for paying position in Government Mail Service. Box One, Cedar Rapids, Ia. w5-8

The crook is usually on mischief bent.

## Frisco Low Rates.

Colinist rates to California Feb. 14 to April 7. On above dates second class colonists tickets will be sold to San Francisco, Sacramento, Los Angeles and all other points in California, also to Phoenix and Prescott, Ariz., and all intermediates in the states of Arizona, Mexico, New Mexico and Texas. Rate \$25. Stop overs allowed at many points. Best of service and quick connections. For further information call or write W. H. Reilly, agent, or J. W. Maring, T. P. A., Sherman, Texas.

## Eighty Days in Jail.

W. W. Parker, who was given a hearing before Commissioner Elting Tuesday morning, charged with assault, was fined \$50 and costs, and in default of payment was carried to Atoka to serve eighty days in the Federal jail.

## Report From Reform School.

J. G. Gluck, Superintendent, Pruntytown, Va. writes: "After trying all other advertised cough medicines we have decided to use Foley's Honey and Tar exclusively in the West Virginia Reform School. I find it the most effective and absolutely harmless. Owl Drug Store and Durant Drug Co.

Jim Davis, formerly deputy United States marshal in this district for eighteen years, is now representing a manufacturing firm on the road as a traveling salesman. He is now spending a few days with his family here in the city and states to his friends he is well pleased with his position and that business is very good in all lines through the country for this time of year.

Miss Fannie Fersay has returned from Caddo where she has been in the employ of the Pioneer Telephone Company, as operator for some time.

Mrs. Cora Griffin of Randolph, Texas, arrived in the city today to join her husband, who preceded her a few weeks ago. They will make Durant their future home.

## Has Arm Broken.

On last Saturday morning Charley Dobbs, while coming to Durant from down the road on the M. K. & T. local, had his right arm broken just above the wrist by being thrown against the cab.

The train was side tracked at Sterrett and the cab out loose. He started to leave the cab and just before reaching the door the train backed into the cab with such force that he was thrown against the wall with sufficient force to break the large bone in his arm.

If you are the right sort of man the world will hear of you—after your demise.

For Rent—My house, corner Thirtieth and L'aveak. See me at J. O. Malney's residence. Miss Pickens. 142-2t

## Purely Personal

From Wednesday's Daily.

I. B. Walker is a Dallas visitor today.

C. C. Hatchett paid Colbert a business visit yesterday.

Herschell Connell made a business trip to Allis on yesterday.

Grant Knepple is in Hugo and other towns a few days this week.

A. H. Ferguson is in Bennington transacting business of the legal kind.

C. K. Kelley, one of Albany's good farmers, was in the city on business today.

Dr. W. N. Jones is reported confined at home with a slight attack of pneumonia.

Rev. C. Stubblefield left yesterday to attend the Baptist board meeting at Holdenville.

H. M. Ridley, of Atoka, is in the city with a view of locating here in a short time.

J. M. Barnett and wife left on the afternoon train to spend a few weeks in Bonham.

Mrs. J. G. Chambers is in Brookston, Texas, this week the guest of friends and relatives.

Rev. C. R. Goodman is reported much improved, being able to sit up this morning.

Son, the little boy of Mr. and Mrs. John Mason, was taken very sick last night with convulsions.

Drs. Park & Delashmutt are treating the eyes of Mrs. J. K. Richardson of Van Alstyne, Texas.

Mrs. J. W. Boyer left on the Tuesday afternoon train to spend a few days as the guest of Mrs. Dr. Rutledge in Sherman.

I. N. S. th, formerly a citizen of Durant, but now of Hanley, Texas, is visiting in the city for a few days.

Mrs. Frank Lewis, who has been visiting friends in Durant, returned to her home at Tahlequah yesterday.

N. B. Aynsworth of South McAlester has moved to Durant and will make his home here in the future.

Mrs. Tom Bates departed on the noon train to spend a few weeks as the guest of relatives in Lewisville, Texas.

Mrs. Hallie Alley, who has been the guest of relatives for the past few days in the city, returned to her home at Gainesville today.

J. Hudspeth of Whitewright spent last night in the city with relatives, returning home this morning. He thinks of locating here.

C. M. Hedden of Oklahoma City is bill clerk at the freight office, H. A. Southworth resigning to accept a position in Dallas.

Ed Graham of Colbert, one of the injured men in the wreck below Sterrett yesterday, is reported improving very slowly from his many injuries.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Conlan, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hilton, left for their home yesterday. While here Mr. Conlan was quite sick.

Hon. W. D. Gibbs and his wife returned to Durant yesterday evening. Mrs. Gibbs had been to visit relatives in Mississippi and on her return was met by Mr. Gibbs at St. Louis.

Mrs. G. W. Mason and Mrs. Geo. Mason and Roy, a son of Will Mason, are all very sick with pneumonia, and it is not thought that Mrs. G. W. Mason, who is the aged mother of the Mason brothers, Will, George and John, can recover.

From Monday's Daily.

N. B. Ainsworth of South McAlester is in the city on business.

I. W. Ballard left for Greenville, Texas, to spend a few days on business.

Hon. T. W. Hunter and wife of Boswell spent Sunday with friends in the city.

Dr. W. W. Beach and Dr. E. F. Brown of Mead, are in the city on business.

Mrs. S. W. Stone left today for Sherman to be the guest of Mrs. Lindsay for a few days.

Phillip Novinsky returned Sunday from an extended trip from several towns in North Texas.

Mrs. E. O. Butler departed at noon for Sherman to spend a few days visiting with relatives and friends.

Miss Eula Horton has returned from Greenville, where she has been the past week the guest of relatives.

Ed Gum left on the morning Flyer to spend a few days on business at Featherston and Ft. Smith.

W. L. Sanguin, royalty collector for this district, with headquarters at Hugo, is in the city for a few days.

John A. Harrison of South McAlester spent a few days in the city last week, returning home Sunday.

Mrs. Lena Hull of Bokchito and Mrs. Theo. Muglar of Caddo are in the city the guests of H. C. Gosdin and family.

Miss Ruby Early and Miss Willie Meekum of Sterrett spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives and friends in the city.

Mrs. N. A. Wilson of Brownwood, Texas, and Mrs. N. Mills of Coalgate arrived in on the noon train and will be the guests of E. E. Dyer and family for a few days.

John Hendricks of Anna, Texas, who has had his eyes operated on by Drs. Park and Delashmutt, will leave for his home Saturday, thoroughly cured.

T. W. Brune, one of the good farmers of Silo, was in the city today.

J. D. Avert, an enterprising merchant of Bokchito, was doing Durant today.

Mrs. Frank Lewis of Tahlequah is in Durant the guest of her friend, Miss Leah Beavert.

D. Morgan, living a few miles east of the city, came in today from a few day's visit at Kiowa.

Mrs. M. S. Keller and little daughter of Sterrett will be the guests of Mrs. W. B. Petty today and Sunday.

Dr. J. M. Jackman, of Cumberland, brother-in-law of Dr. W. O. Shannon, passed through the city today enroute to Dallas on business.

H. C. Ritchie of the Nat'l community, was in town yesterday and while here did not fail to pay his respects to the News.

Mrs. G. A. Gober of Denison, who has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Minnie Keller, left on the morning Frisco to spend a few days in Bokchito.

Jeff Milam of Van Alstyne, Texas, arrived in the city yesterday to have his eyes treated by Drs. Parks and Delashmutt.

W. H. Burgett of Blue was in the city last night doing business with the merchants. He says the people out his way are considerably in the mud and water.

J. H. Tipps and W. C. Anderson have returned from Purcell, where they were witnesses in the trial of Dave Vaughn, charged with stealing horses near Davis last September. Vaughn was committed to jail to await the action of the next Federal jury.

Two-Bit Axes, Severance Hdw. Co.

## Just Arrived

Big Line of Novelties in GENTS' HATS

ED L. SPEARS

Successor to Blackburn Bros.

W. F. Gilmer, proprietor of the Atwood hotel, returned from Ardmore this morning and was accompanied by C. W. Bumbach and G. G. Hastings, who will return to Ardmore this evening.

A detailed description of some complexions would make a highly colored story.

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